

TOUR OF DUTY AMENDED

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT
DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS MEDICAL CENTER
COATESVILLE, PA 19320
(APPLICATION FROM EMPLOYEES ONLY)

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OPENING DATE: 04/13/2010	POSITION TITLE 38 PROFESSIONAL OPPORTUNITY Licensed Practical Nurse-(LPN) Patient Care Services – Geriatrics & Extended Care-Hospice GS-0620-3/6: \$34,944 PA to \$55,033 PA	ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER MPA #93 FY '10
CLOSING DATE: Open Until Filled	The grade and salary will be based on a recommendation by the Professional Standards Board and approved by the Medical Center	

PLEASE NOTE:

- Applicants will be required to complete electronic credentialing through Vet Pro.
- Applicants must be a citizen of the United States and must be proficient in spoken and written English as required by 38 U.S.C. 7402(d), 7407(d).
- Applicant must meet the physical requirements of the position (See VA Directive and Handbook 5019).
- A Recruitment Bonus up to \$2,000 may be authorized.

AREA OF CONSIDERATION: U.S. CITIZENS

DUTIES: The Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) functions as a member of the nursing and treatment teams in planning and implementing a full range of practical nursing care for veterans. He/she provides complex age-specific and population-specific nursing care for adult and geriatric inpatients or outpatients with physical, mental, behavioral or psychosocial needs, according to assignment and training. Performance of duties requires exceptional knowledge, experience and skill for concentrated effort and self-motivation to carry out patient care assignments which involve performing non-standard and specialized practical nursing activities for critically ill psychiatric, medical and/or geriatric patients.

Hospice is an end of life program that provides palliative and supportive care. Hospice focuses on the management of pain and other physical symptoms; the management of psycho-social issues, and provision of spiritual comfort of the patient and family or other primary caregivers.

TOUR OF DUTY: Full-Time. 3:30 pm - 12:00 am. Rotating days off; including weekends and holidays.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS: Applicants must be U.S. citizens; proficient in written/spoken English and must possess a current, active, unrestricted practical or vocational nurse State license. Applicants must also meet the physical standards for appointment. For GS-3: Licensure requirements must be met, GS-4: six (6) months of nursing experience is required, GS-5 and above: one (1) year of nursing experience equivalent to at least the next lower grade level is required. **PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:** Experience working on a Medical-Surgical unit.

APPLICANTS PLEASE NOTE: Education must be accredited by an accrediting institution recognized by the U.S. Department of Education in order for it to be credited towards qualifications (particularly positions with a positive education requirement). Therefore, applicants must report only attendance and/or degrees from schools accredited by accrediting institutions recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. Applicants can verify accreditation at the following website: <http://ope.ed.gov/accreditation/>. All education claimed by applicants will be verified by the appointing agency accordingly.

HOW TO APPLY: Interested LPN's should submit a memorandum referencing this announcement number to Nina Yentzer, Nursing Support (118) that outlines professional LPN experience/accomplishments and education.

External Applicants must submit:

- VA Form 10-2850c, Application for Associated Health Occupations
- OF 306, Declaration for Federal Employment
- Complete résumé
- Transcripts (Official transcripts required if selected)
- Verification of current, active LPN State licensure
- Veterans must submit form DD-214 (Certificate of Discharge); 10 point preference eligible veterans should complete and attach form SF-15 (Application for 10 Point Veterans Preference) along with a letter (dated within the last 12 months) from the Department of Veteran Affairs certifying percent of service-connected disability.

Applications can be mailed to:

Coatesville VAMC
Attn: M. Musser (118)
1400 Blackhorse Hill Rd.
Coatesville, PA 19320

Or Faxed to: 610-380-4376

DRUG TESTING DESIGNATED: In accordance with Executive Order 12564, applicants selected for this position are required to submit to a drug test and receive a negative drug test result prior to appointment. In addition, this position is a drug-testing designated position subject to random testing for illegal drug use.

REMARKS: Management reserves the right to fill this position by other means such as reassignment, transfer, demotion, or hiring from outside the station at any time it is felt that this will result in the recruitment of a better qualified candidate. Discriminatory factors such as sex, race, color, national origin, religion, lawful political or employee organization affiliation, age, marital status, or non-disqualifying handicap, are not considerations in evaluating the qualifications of an employee. If you have qualifying experience or education not shown in your personnel folder, you should submit a résumé.

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